

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY TANANARIVE

TO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA IMMEDIATE

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6896

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI IMMEDIATE

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FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC MA

SUBJECT: PROTECTIVE SECURITY PROGRAM -- WEAPONS, AMMO AND  
TEAR GAS

REFS: (ALL 1974/NOTAL) A. STATE 98411; B. TANANARIVE 665;

C. STATE 114783; D. PRETORIA 2357; E. TANANARIVE 784.

1. DUE TO POTENTIALLY RPT POTENTIALLY EXPLOSIVE POLITICAL  
SITUATION, POST URGENTLY REQUESTS YOU SEND VIA CLASSIFIED  
AIR POUCH FOLLOWING:

(A) 2 TWELVE GAUGE SHOTGUNS

(B) 200 ROUNDS, TWELVE GAUGE BUCKSHOT

(C) 1,000 ROUNDS, 38 CAL. AMMO

(D) TEAR GAS

(E) MARK III MACE

2. CURRENT DEFENSIVE CAPABILITY NOT ADEQUATE TO KEEP MOB OUT  
OF CHANCERY. ONLY CHOICE AT THIS TIME IS UES OF 38'S, GOOD  
ONLY FOR CLOSE ACTION. IF NOT POSSIBLE SEND ALL ITEMS  
IMMEDIATELY, ITEMS (D) AND (E) OF HIGHEST PRIORITY.

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3. EMBASSY CHANCERY AND AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE HAVE HAD NO

RPT NO POLICE PROTECTION FOR PAST SIX DAYS. GOVERNMENT HAS PROMISED TO RESTORE POLICE PROTECTION BUT SO FAR HAS NOT DONE SO. POLICE ARE INVOLVED IN CURRENT POLITICAL PROBLEMS.

4. POST AWARE OF CURRENT DEPT REG PER REFTEL C; HOWEVER, WE FEEL POTENTIAL SITUATION WARRANTS EXCEPTION TO REGULATION.

5. FYI: COURIER FROM NAIROBI WILL MAKE AIRPORT EXCHANGE IN TANANARIVE ON JAN 30. THIS OFFERS POSSIBLE MEANS OF TRANSPORTING REQUESTED GOODS TO POST.

6. PLS ADVISE.  
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